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TAGS: HU, CVIS (SZELL, THOMAS)

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM BY DR. THOMAS SZELL (UNIS)

DR. THOMAS SZELL, HEAD OF SCIENCE DEPT AT UN INTL SCHOOL,
WAS SCHEDULED BY HUNGARIAN GOVT TO RETURN TO BUDAPEST AT
END OF MID-1975 SCHOOL TERM. HE HAS ATTEMPTED FOR SOME
MONTHS TO PERSUADE HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY TO GRANT HIM
PERMISSION TO CONTINUE SERVING IN HIS CURRENT POSITION AT
UNIS. STATEMENTS ON HIS BEHALF HAVE ALSO BEEN MADE TO
HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY AND HUNGARIAN AMBASSADOR TO UN
BY UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL C. V. NARASIMHAN AND SCHOOL
DIRECTOR, JACK BRUCE. HUNGARIAN OFFICIALS HAVE TURNED DEAF
EAR TO ALL PLEAS AND HAVE INSISTED THAT SZELL RETURN TO BUDAPEST.

AFTER MUCH SOUL SEARCHING, SZELL HAS DECIDED NOT TO RETURN TO
HUNGARY AND HAS ASKED USUN OFFICER TO MAKE APPOINTMENT FOR HIM
WITH INS SO HE CAN TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION UNDER IMMIGRATION
LAW FOR HIM, HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN TO REMAIN IN U.S.
WE HAVE ARRANGED FOR HIM TO VISIT INS INSPECTOR MARIO PRATO
AT NYC OFFICE OF INS ON SEPTEMBER 5TH.
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